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A method of thickening liquid hydrocarbons comprises mixing the hydrocarbon with an essentially paraffin polyolefin polymer in solid form to yield a thickened homogenous solution. The hydrocarbon is preferably kerosene and the polymer may be a "Vistanex" polymer. The product may be used as a lamp oil but may also be applied to charcoal for use as a lighting fuel for barbecues.